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**Michael Yo-Yun Ho; Oon-Sim Ang; Barry K. Tsuji; and Oreste B. Varelas**Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ENCODING INFORMATION**

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 6 Sheets of drawings, Formal X, Informal   , Specification (18 pp.); Claims (5 pp.) Abstract (1 pp.) Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(I) Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. 1.27.

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